

Shanese Knight, being duly sworn, deposes and says the following:

In 2001, I was living at 153-18 122th Avenue in Queens County. I lived across the street from Leroy Vann, who I knew for many years. Back in 2001, the basement apartment was used by Henry Hanley, who used to stay down there with his girlfriend, and the mother of his daughter, Charmiane Randass.

On February 5, 2001, at about 3:25 in the morning, I was in my bedroom. I heard one gunshot and left my bedroom to go to the living room which faces 112th Avenue and is directly across the street from 153-19 112th Avenue, the residence of Leroy Vann.

I observed Leroy facing my house and a male black with his back to me. It appeared as though they were talking. I then saw two flashes of light and heard the noise. The male was holding his right arm near his body when the two shots were fired.

I saw a dark-colored Jeep facing eastbound on 112th Avenue parked in the westbound lane at the corner of 153rd Street. The male ran westbound on 112th Avenue towards the Jeep parked the wrong way.

I then stamped my feet on the floor and Henry Hanley came up from the basement apartment. I then began to tell him about the shooting of Leroy Vann.. At no time was Henry Hanley outside during the shooting. He told me he was asleep with Charmaine downstairs when I woke them up. At no time that night or morning did Henry Hanley make any telephone call from the one phone, which was located in my bedroom.

The day after the shooting, I was interviewed by New York City police detectives. They came to my house and asked me what I had seen and heard, and I told them what I have stated here. They left and came back and showed me photographs of a bunch of young men. None of the men in the photographs was the man I saw arguing with Leroy Vann. He was older

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than any of those young men, and was as tall as Leroy. I spoke to the police at least two more times after that, and told them the same thing. I also told them that Henry had been in the basement with his girlfriend at the time of the shooting.

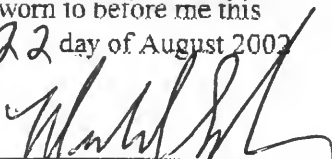
In June of this year, two men who said they were detectives came to my job looking for Kamisha Grant. They were with a black man dressed in a suit. When I came to court several weeks ago, I recognized that man as the assistant district attorney, Claude Stuart. The detectives did not speak to me about what I knew. Neither did Claude Stuart. All they wanted was for me to help them find Kamisha Grant, which I did. I have read the part of the trial where after Kamisha Grant testified, Claude Stuart said that he did not know where I was, and had not seen me. That statement was completely false.

In July of this year, I was contacted by Michael Race, a private investigator. This was the first time I spoke about these events to anyone but the police. I told him about Henry being in the basement at the time of the shooting. I also helped him find Charmaine Ramdass.

I have read this statement carefully, and have had it read to me by Michael Race, and swear that the contents are true and accurate.


Shanese Knight

Sworn to before me this
22 day of August 2002



Notary Public

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